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Addendum

Views on conclusions and/or recommendations, voluntary commitments and replies presented by the State under review

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The Malawi Government hereby presents its position on the thirteen (13) recommendations which were pended at the May 2015 session:

112.1. Ratify the Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (Ghana) – NOTED;

112.2. Strengthen its legal framework by considering signing and ratifying the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (Indonesia) – NOTED;

112.3. Consider ratifying ICRMW (Philippines) – NOTED;

112.4. Urgently address the inconsistency in the age of marriage in the Marriage Act and the Constitution (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) – SUPPORTED;

112.5. Decriminalize defamation and incorporate into the Civil Code (Ghana) – NOTED;

112.6. Harmonise laws on abortion with maternal health and child marriage (Republic of Congo) – SUPPORTED;

112.7. Issue standing invitations to all special procedures (Ghana) – SUPPORTED;

112.8. Issue a standing invitation to the Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council and ensure an enabling environment for the activities of journalists, human rights defenders and other civil society actors (Tunisia) – SUPPORTED;

112.9. Extend a standing invitation to the special procedures mandate holders (Chad) – SUPPORTED;

112.10. Consider extending a standing invitation to the Special Procedures mandate holders (Kenya) – SUPPORTED;

112.11. Issue a standing invitation to all mandate holders of the special procedures (Madagascar) – SUPPORTED;

112.12. Strengthen efforts to reduce maternal mortality, including by reviewing the legislation on abortion (Slovenia) – SUPPORTED;

112.13. Implement, as a party to the Maputo protocol, the provisions related to medical abortion in cases of sexual assault, rape, incest and where the continued pregnancy endangers the mental and physical health of the mother or the life of the mother or the foetus (Norway) – SUPPORTED.